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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Figs. 6-10 and 12 and 14 have been labeled as "Prior Art"

Attachment: Six (6) Replacement Drawing Sheets

(numbered 6/12 to 10/12 and 12/12, and including Figs. 6-12 and 14)

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are all the claims pending in the application. Reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Drawings

The Examiner asserted that Figs. 6-10, 12, and 14, should be labeled as --Prior Art-because only that which is old is shown. Accordingly, Applicants have submitted replacement drawing sheets, wherein Figs. 6-10, 12, and 14, are labeled as --Prior Art--.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Examiner rejected claims 1-12 under §112, 2nd paragraph, as indefinite. Specifically, the Examiner asserted that the term "type" makes the claims indefinite. Accordingly, Applicants have removed this term from the claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 1-12 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under §112. Accordingly, in light of the above, claims 1-12 should now be in condition for immediate allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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